Liber H. S. No. 1

No. 27 An Act To Enable the Commissioners of the Office for Emitting Bills of Credit to purchase Stationary Ware Necessary for the use of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and for other purposes therein mentioned

[The Commissioners appointed by the Act for The Payment of the Public Claims, &c impowered the Money on the Protested Bills re-

turned by

Trustees]

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To remit 251. Sterling thereof to the Trustees to be laid out in Stationary for the use of both Houses.]

[Commissioners Salary 5 per centum ]

paid]

to be remitted to the

The Commissioners to recover Sums of under former

of this Province

Be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships Governor and the upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same That the Commissioners appointed by the Act for the payment of the Public Claims for Emitting Bills of Credit and for other purposes therein mentioned shall and are hereby impowered to receive to take Custody of all and every such Bill or Bills of Exchange with the protests belonging to this Province as have been returned or shall during their Continuance in their Office be returned protested by the Trustees in London which were Lately remitted on Account The of the Province to the said Trustees to be invested in Capital Stock of the Bank of England and to ask demand sue for and recover in the names of the former Commissioners or Trustees who remitted them or the survivors of them to the use of this Province all the Money that is shall or may be due on such Protested Bill or Bills of Exchange together with the damages thereon and out of the first Money they shall receive thereon to Transmitt to some Merchant in London the sum of Twenty five Pounds sterling with orders to lay out the same /deducting Commission and charges/ in one good Record Book and such Parchment Paper Ink Powder and Ouills as the said Commissioners shall direct which said Stationary Ware shall be purchased and Shipped on the risque of the public of this Province and shall on its Arrival be to and for the use of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly of this Province to be expended in the Publick Business and the said Commissioners shall be entituled to receive a Commission of Five p Centum for their Trouble in negociating the said Protested Bills of Exchange in manner by this Act directed and shall be and are hereby impowered [How to be and Allowed to pay themselves such Commission or Satisfaction out of the Ballance of Cask now in y.e repository in the paper Currency Office as p report of the Committee this Session of Assembly if sufficient if not the balance to retain out of the Money [The Residue they shall receive on such Protested Bill or Bills of Exchange and the residue of such Money after such retainer and the Twenty Trustees] five pounds aforesaid for the Stationary Ware to remit to the Trustees of this Province residing in London to be by them invested in Capital Stock of the Bank of England for the use of the Publick

And Whereas there are several sums of Money now due to the Money due Publick of this Province which ought to have been paid into the to the Public hands of the Commissioners or Trustees for Emitting the Bills of Acts Credit heretofore Established and sunk by Acts of Assembly